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### **Edgar Tucker Joins Gelb Consulting Advancing Patient Safety, Quality, Organizational Excellence and Leadership Development in Healthcare**

**Houston, Tex. – (June 25, 2014)** – [Edgar \(Ed\) L. Tucker, B.A., M.P.H., FACHE](#) has joined Endeavor Management as senior advisor within the firm's healthcare industry business unit, Gelb Consulting. In his new role, Tucker brings extensive leadership and experience in running prominent and successful medical centers and healthcare systems.

"I am very impressed with the Gelb-Endeavor team. They have established an outstanding reputation with an impressive list of clients," said Tucker. "My goal is to partner with our clients to develop innovative solutions to the complex challenges facing healthcare leaders today."

Most recently, Tucker was executive vice president of Texas Medical Center in Houston. Prior to that he served as director of the Michael E. DeBakey Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Houston and was responsible for management of one of the most complex VA medical centers in the country.

"We are pleased to have Ed join us to provide leadership that will achieve even higher levels of business impact for our clients," said Bill Nash, president and chief executive officer of Endeavor Management.

During his 36-year federal career, Tucker also served as the director of the Colmery-O'Neil VA Medical Center in Topeka, Kansas and the VA Eastern Kansas Healthcare System and as associate director of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers in Fort Meade, South Dakota and Temple, Texas.

"Ed Tucker's distinguished career has produced a comprehensive understanding of today's diverse healthcare settings. His addition to our healthcare team deepens our ability to translate internal and external customer needs into operational and cultural initiatives. His decades of leadership experience are an asset to our clients as they seek to create advocates and achieve greater returns on their strategic plans," noted John McKeever, executive vice president of Endeavor Management.

A board certified health care executive, Tucker has held leadership roles within the Southeast Texas Chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives. Awarded the Regents Award for Senior Healthcare Leadership in 2009, he was elected in 2011 as Regent for Texas Southeast and served until 2014.

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